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Applicants: JAY S. WALKER et al.
Application Serial No.: 09/632,295
Filing Date: August 3, 2000

Title: INSTANT CREDIT CARD MARKETING SYSTEM

Attorney Docket No: 96-200-C1 **(Please note new docket number)*

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
of the Holding of Abandonment - No Abandonment in Fact

Summary of Request

Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the abandonment of the present application, per MPEP 711.03. Since a reply was timely filed, there was no abandonment in fact.

Facts

The most recent Office Action was mailed August 1, 2003.

Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal responsive to this Office Action on October 31, 2003, with the required payable fee of \$165.00 and authorization for USPTO to charge any additional fees that may be required for continued prosecution of the referenced patent application to Deposit Account 50-0271. Attached are copies of this Notice of Appeal with certificate of mailing dated October 31, 2003, and a copy of the Return Receipt Postcard with USPTO stamp indicating receipt on November 3, 2003.

Nevertheless, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed on March 9, 2004.

Conclusion

Applicants request that the Abandonment of the Application be withdrawn because there was no abandonment in fact. Applicants specifically request that the Application be considered as never abandoned, and the response filed on October 31, 2003 be accepted as timely filed.

Applicants believe no fee is due. Please charge any fees that may be required for this Request, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0271. Order number 96-200-C1. The Assistant Commissioner is further authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for the submission of this paper, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0271.

Furthermore, should an extension of time be required, please grant any extension of time which may be required to make this submission timely, and charge any fee for such an extension to Deposit Account No. 50-0271. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed for such purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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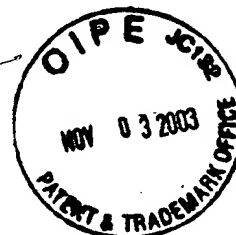
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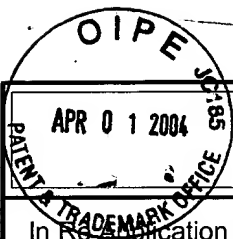
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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is:

Request for Reconsideration, 2 pp.;
Copies of Return Receipt Postcard stamped by USPTO as received on November 3, 2003, 1 pg., and Notice of
Appeal from Primary Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals, 2 pp.; and
Return Receipt Postcard.

in the above identified application.

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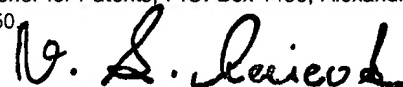
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO
THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (Small Entity)**

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Invention:

INSTANT CREDIT CARD MARKETING SYSTEM

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated August 1, 2003 rejecting Claim(s) 60 and 73-92 and 96

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.

A verified statement of small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.
- ☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for this Notice of Appeal is: \$165.00

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
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